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METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR THE CORRELATION OF SINGLE NUCLEOTIDE POLYMORPHISMS IN THE VITAMIN K EPOXIDE REDUCTASE GENE AND WARFARIN

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